daughter stations, as on July 2001 to 90 dispensing stations by December 2001, all consisting of mother/on-line stations and daughter-booster stations, with a proper distribution across the city. IGL should ensure gas pressure of more than 200 bars in all the CNG stations.

(ix) Plans for future distribution infrastructure should be set into motion to ensure that it stays ahead of the growing demand and takes into account turn around time of vehicles at the dispensing stations.

(x) As taxis and autos are on dual fuel mode, contingency plans to deal with the eventuality of disruption in gas supply for buses should be prepared and a plan of action should be filed in the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

New Bottling plants in Karnataka

2570. DR. (MS.) P. SELVIE DAS:
SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Karnataka has requested to establish bottling plants of various Petroleum Companies under his Ministry; and

(b) if so, the number of bottling plants which will be established?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) and (b) Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies have the plans to set up three bottling plants at Bangalore, Shimoga and Mandiya during the Ninth Plan.

Recovery of dues by Oil PSUs

†2571. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':

Will the Minister of PETROLUEM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that various institutes owe a large amount to the institutes under the public sector oil companies;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, the names of the companies which owe amount to various institutes alongwith the details of total outstanding amount till the end of March, 2001;

(c) since when this amount is outstanding separately; and

(d) the steps taken to recover the said amount so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Termination of dealership in adulteration cases

2572. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of Petrol Pumps adulterate automobile fuels with Naphtha and other solvent to cheat the consumers throughout the country;

(b) whether surprise checks by Government agencies and oil companies are carried out to prevent such adulterations;

(c) if so, the number of petrol pumps raided by each Oil Company during the last one year and in how many cases adulteration was detected by each of them; and

(d) the details of action taken against the offending dealers and in how many cases dealerships were terminated, company-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) and (b) Adulteration of automobile fuels with Naphtha and other solvents by some of the petrol pumps in the country has been detected during checking and inspection. Action has been taken against the concerned petrol pumps.

(c) and (d) Information is given in the enclosed Statement.